Stopping DU Teachers from Bunking

3516. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been invited to the newsitem, "How to stop DU teachers from bunking" appearing in the Times of India dated 24th July, 2000;

(b) if so, the reaction thereto;

(c) whether the University Grants Commission would be requested to conduct an independent investigation into the matter highlighted in the above mentioned newsitem; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Spending Funds for Women and Child Development

3517. SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD:
SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any need to develop any effective mechanism to ensure that the sum allocated for Women and Children Welfare, is spent optimally;

(b) whether Government propose any steps in this regard; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN): (a) to (c) The Department has a well established mechanism to regularly monitor implementation of various schemes which includes release and optimum utilization of funds. The progress is reviewed at the highest level also and modalities are devised to continuously improve the system. Recently a Task Force has been constituted to review the schemes also.